

Standard Persian

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1 Overview

Language family:	Indo-European (Indo-Iranian)
Countries:	Iran, Afghanistan, Iraq, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Tajikistan, Russia, Azerbaijan
Number of speakers:	70 million
Agreement features:	number, person
Attested word orders:	SV
Coordination types:	and, or

(The data were entered by a native speaker via an online survey.)

2 Patterns for number

2.1 Coordination with “and”

2.1.1 SV order

Pattern: The number on the verb is plural in all cases.

1st conjunct \ 2nd conjunct	sg	pl
sg	pl	pl
pl	pl	pl

Examples:

- (1) (An) pesar va (an) mard midavand.
(the) boy.SG and (the) man.SG run.3PL
'The boy or the man run.'
- (2) a. (An) pesar-ha va (an) mard midavand.
(the) boy.PL and (the) man.SG run.3PL
'The boys or the man run.'
b. (An) pesar va (an) mard-ha midavand.
(the) boy.SG and (the) man.PL run.3PL
'The boy or the men run.'
- (3) (An) pesar-ha va (an) mard-ha midavand.
(the) boy.PL and (the) man.PL run.3PL
'The boys or the men run.'

2.2 Coordination with “or”

2.2.1 SV order

Pattern: The number on the verb is plural in all cases.

1st conjunct \ 2nd conjunct	sg	pl
sg	pl	pl
pl	pl	pl

Examples:

- (4) (An) pesar ya (an) mard midavand.
(the) boy.SG or (the) man.SG run.3PL
'The boy or the man run.'
- (5) a. (An) pesar-ha ya (an) mard midavand.
(the) boy.PL or (the) man.SG run.3PL
'The boys or the man run.'
b. (An) pesar ya (an) mard-ha midavand.
(the) boy.SG or (the) man.PL run.3PL
'The boy or the men run.'

- (6) (An) pesar-ha ya (an) mard-ha midavand.
(the) boy.PL or the man.PL run.3PL
'The boys or the men run.'

3 Patterns for person

3.1 Coordination with “and”

3.1.1 SV order

Pattern: Mismatching person seem to be resolved according to the hierarchy 1 > 2 > 3. (Note: Number is resolved to plural.)

1st conjunct \ 2nd conjunct	1	2	3
1		1pl	1pl
2	1pl		
3	1pl		

Examples:

- (7) a. To va man midavim.
you and I run.1PL
'You and I run.'
- b. Man va to midavim.
I and you run.1PL
'I and you run.'
- (8) a. Ma va anha midavim.
we and they run.1PL
'We and they run.'
- b. Anha va ma midavim.
they and we run.1PL
'They and we run.'

3.2 Coordination with “or”

3.2.1 SV order

Pattern: Mismatching person seem to be resolved according to the hierarchy 1 > 2 > 3. (Note: Number is resolved to plural.)

1st conjunct \ 2nd conjunct	1	2	3
1		1pl	1pl
2	1pl		
3	1pl		

Examples:

- (9) a. To ya man midavim.
you or I run.1PL
'You or I run.'

- b. Man ya to midavim.
I or you run.1PL
'I or you run.'
- (10) a. Ma ya anha midavim.
we or they run.1PL
'We or they run.'
- b. Anha ya ma midavim.
they or we run.1PL
'They or we run.'